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RESPONSE

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This is submitted in response to the Official Action dated January 7, 2004.

We acknowledge the restriction of the Application into Group I, including Claims 1-8 and

12 - 19, and Group II, including Claims 9 - 11.

We hereby elect Group I, including Claims 1 - 8 and 12 - 19, without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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